

HOLY COMMUNION

We invite all Catholics who are properly disposed (i.e., in the state of grace and having fasted for one hour before communion) to come forward in the usual way to receive Holy Communion.

All others, including our non-Catholic guests, may remain in their pews and join us in prayer. Alternatively, to participate in the communion procession and receive a blessing, come forward in the line and cross your arms over your chest as you approach the minister. Thank you.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON *Gloriosa dicta sunt* PSALM 87:3  
Please join in the antiphon below after the cantor introduction and between verses.

VIII

G Lo-ri-ous things are spoken of you, O Vir-gin Mar-y,

for he who is mighty has done great things for you.

POSTCOMMUNION (6:00PM)

TOTA PULCHRA EST MARIA GRZEGORZ GORCZYCKI

Tota pulchra es, Maria Et macula originalis non est in te. Tu gloria Jerusa-lem Tu laetitia Israel Tu honorificentia populi nostri. Alleluia. / You are all beautiful, Mary, and the original stain [of sin] is not in you. You are the glory of Jerusalem, you are the joy of Israel, you give honor to our people. Alleluia.

–Vespers antiphon, Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception



CLOSING

IMMACULATE MARY

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LOURDES HYMN

1. Im - mac - u - late Mar - y, your prais - es we sing;  
2. Pre - des - tined for Christ by e - ter - nal de - cree,  
3. To you by an an - gel, the Lord God made known  
4. Most blest of all wom - en, you heard and be - lieved,  
5. The an - gels re - joiced when you brought forth God's Son;

You reign now in splen - dor with Je - sus our King.  
God willed you both vir - gin and moth - er to be.  
The grace of the Spir - it, the gift of the Son.  
Most blest in the fruit of your womb then con - ceived.  
Your joy is the joy of all a - ges to come.

A - ve, A - ve, A - ve, Ma - ri - a.

A - ve, A - ve, Ma - ri - a.

VOLUNTARY

MAGNIFICAT VI: GLORIA PATRI MARCEL DUPRÉ

MUSIC REMINDERS

–Please join us for our *Christmas Masses*: Saturday, December 24, 5:00pm & 8:00pm (Pontifical); Sunday, December 25, Midnight (with Cathedral Choir and 11:30pm prelude), 7:15 (recited), 8:30 (Pontifical) & 11:00am (with Cathedral Choir).

–The diocesan Office of Sacred Liturgy and Diocesan Choir (and friends) will present their annual **Christmas at the Cathedral** concert on Sunday, December 18, at 4:00pm. All are welcome!

–The next concert in our **Downtown Concert Series** welcomes organ-ist **Johann Vexo, one of the organists of Notre-Dame-de-Paris**. Mr. Vexo is also organiste titulaire of the Cathedral of Nancy, home to the largest Cavaillé-Coll organ outside of Paris. This concert will be on *Sunday, January 22, 2023, at 4:00pm*. All concerts in this series are free; all are welcome!

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MOST REVEREND STEVEN J. RAICA, BISHOP

VERY REVEREND BRYAN W. JERABEK, PASTOR & RECTOR



THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY, SOLEMNITY

DECEMBER 8, 2022

Welcome to the Cathedral. The order of Mass is in the first section of *Sunday’s Word*, found in the pew rack, starting on page 3.

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MAGNIFICAT I: MY SOUL DOTH MAGNIFY THE LORD MARCEL DUPRÉ

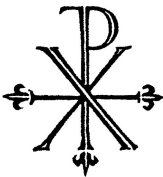
MAGNIFICAT IV: HE HATH PUT DOWN THE MIGHTY

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON *Gaudens gaudebo* ISAIAH 61:10  
Please join in the antiphon below after the cantor introduction and between verses.

III

I re-joyce heart-i-ly in the Lord, in my God is the

joy of my soul.



KYRIE

MISSA SIMPLEX

Cantor/Choir: All:

Ky - ri - e, e - le - i - son. Ky - ri - e, e - le - i - son.

Cantor/Choir: All:

Chri - ste, e - le - i - son. Chri - ste, e - le - i - son.

Cantor/Choir: All:

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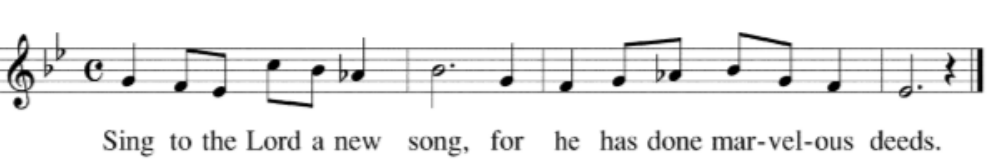
GLORIA MISSA SIMPLEX



Glo - ry to God in the high - est,  
and on earth peace to peo-ple of good will. We praise you, we bless you,  
we a - dore you, we glo - ri - fy you,  
we give you thanks for your great glo - ry, Lord God, heav-en - ly King,  
O — God, al-might-y Fa - ther. Lord Je-sus Christ, On-ly Be-got-ten Son,  
Lord — God, Lamb of God, Son of the Fa - ther,  
you take a - way the sins of the world, have mer - cy on us;  
you take a - way the sins of the world, re - ceive our prayer;  
you are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther, have mer-cy on us.  
For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,  
you a-lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spi - rit,  
in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men. —

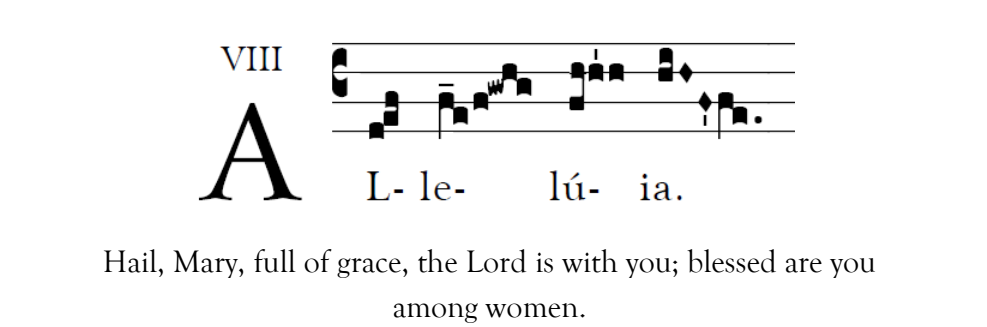
LITURGY OF THE WORD

RESPONSORIAL PSALM PSALM 98:1,2-3AB, 3CD-4



Sing to the Lord a new song, for he has done mar-vel-ous deeds.

ALLELUIA MODE VIII



VIII  
A L - le - lú - ia.  
Hail, Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with you; blessed are you  
among women.

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UNIVERSAL PRAYER

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

OFFERTORY ANTIPHON (6:00PM) *Ave Maria* LUKE 1:28

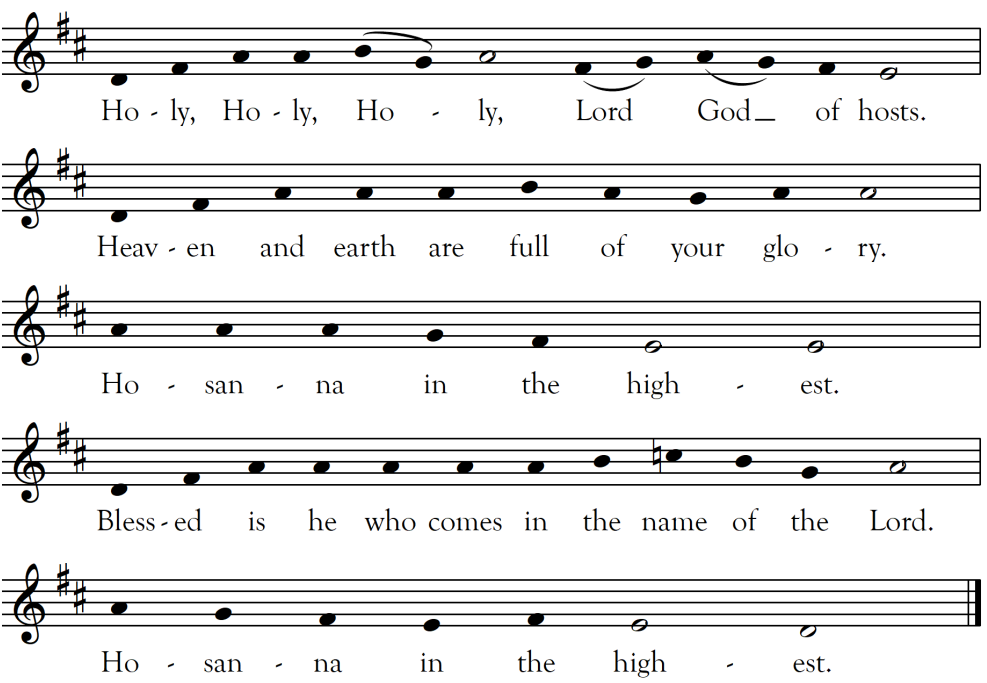
Ave Maria, gratia plena, Dominus tecum; benedicta tu in mulieribus, alle-  
luia. / *Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with you; blessed are you among wom-  
en, alleluia.*

OFFERTORY HYMN PLEADING SAVIOR  
SING OF MARY



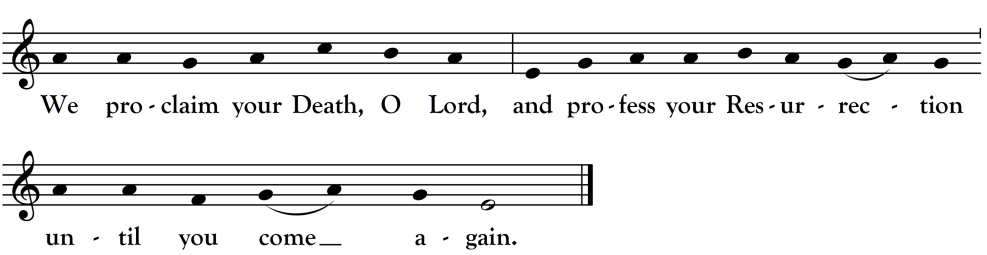
1. Sing of Mar - y, pure and low - ly, Vir - gin-moth - er un - de - filed,  
2. Sing of Je - sus, son of Mar - y, In the home at Naz - a - reth.  
3. Glo - ry be to God the Fa-ther; Glo - ry be to God the Son;  
Sing of God's own Son most ho - ly, Who be-came her lit - tle child.  
Toil and la - bor can-not wea-ry Love en - dur - ing un - to death.  
Glo - ry be to God the Spir - it; Glo - ry to the Three in One.  
Fair - est child of fair - est moth-er, God the Lord who came to earth,  
Con - stant was the love he gave her, Though he went forth from her side,  
From the heart of bless - ed Mar - y, From all saints the song as-cends,  
Word made flesh, our ver - y broth-er, Takes our na - ture by his birth.  
Forth to preach, and heal, and suf - fer, Till on Cal - va - ry he died.  
And the church the strain re - ech-oès Un - to earth's re - mot-est ends.

SANCTUS MISSA SIMPLEX



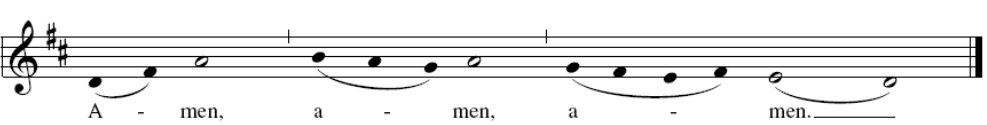
Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Lord God — of hosts.  
Heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry.  
Ho - san - na in the high - est.  
Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Ho - san - na in the high - est.

MYSTERIUM FIDEI



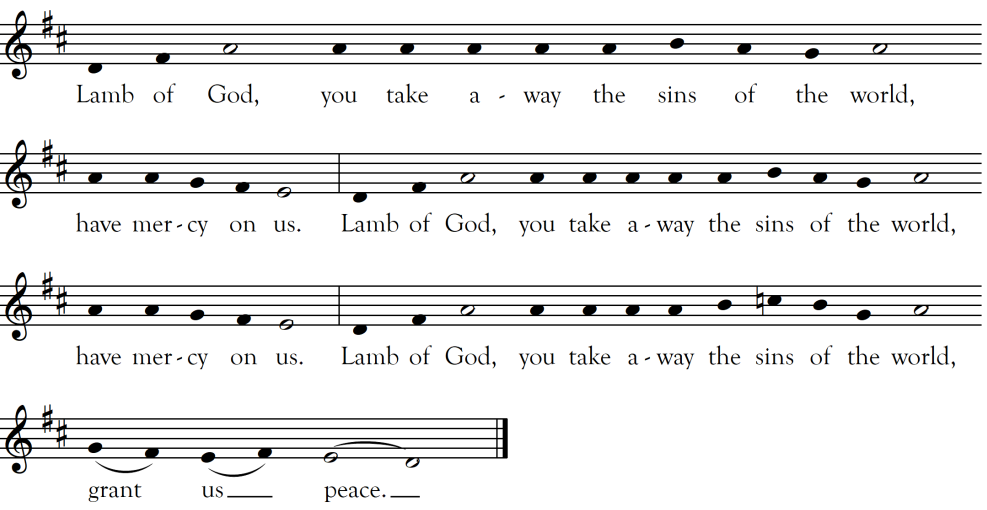
We pro - claim your Death, O Lord, and pro - fess your Res - ur - rec - tion  
un - til you come — a - gain.

AMEN (6:00PM)



A - men, a - men, a - men. —

AGNUS DEI MISSA SIMPLEX



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world,  
have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world,  
have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world,  
grant us — peace. —